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Mr. Guy Watts
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Dear Mr. Watts:

Enclosed is the affidavit we discussed. Thank you for agreeing to facilitate its execution.

In our telephone conversation yesterday, you confirmed the accuracy of the statement in my letter of July 30, 1999, to Mr. Caudle regarding the results of our review of your agency's documents. Additionally, you advised your agency does not object to inclusion of that statement in our public report.

As agreed, I will provide your office a copy of the report when it is ready for publication.

Sincerely,

Barry F. Kowalski
Special Litigation Counsel
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Enclosure

State of Virginia)
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AFFIDAVIT OF MARRELL McCOLLOUGH

I, Marrell McCollough, do hereby depose, swear and state:

1. On April 4, 1968, I was a member of the Memphis Police Department, assigned in an undercover capacity to infiltrate a group of young black activists known as the Invaders. When Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was shot, I was in the parking lot of the Lorraine Motel with some of his associates. I immediately rushed to him on the balcony where he lay. Concerned about my own safety as I approached Dr. King, I was watching the area across Mulberry Street from where I thought the shot had been fired. I saw no one and nothing unusual.

2. I am aware that someone named Loyd Jowers has made allegations that I met with other officers of the Memphis Police Department in Jim's Grill to plot the assassination of Dr. King and that, later, I participated in that plot.

3. I have never been in Jim's Grill in Memphis, Tennessee, and never met Loyd Jowers.

4. I never met with any Memphis Police officers or anyone else regarding plans to kill Dr. King.

5. I never participated in any manner in any plan or plot to assassinate Dr. King.

I declare under the penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Marrell McCollough

MARRELL McCOLLOUGH

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REQUEST BY DOJ TO INTERVIEW CIA OFFICER MAC MCCULLOUGH (SP) IN CONNECTION WITH ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. MCCULLOUGH WORKED WITH MEMPHIS POLICE DEPARTMENT BEFORE JOINING CIA. NO LONGER UNDER COVER. DOJ ATTORNEY'S NAME IS YVONNE BAUMER 202 307 9588 PAGER NUMBER 1 888 346-1915.

MAC CAN BE REACHED AT 53880; SAID THAT THIS IS THE LATEST IN A LONG SERIES OF INTERVIEW REQUESTS AND THAT HE HAD PREVIOUSLY TESTIFIED BEFORE CONGRESS ON THIS MATTTER. CHECK REGISTRY FOR PRIOR RECORDS ON THIS MATTER.

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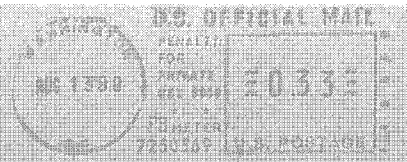

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